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Students help instructors keep 'TABS' on teaching

By MARK ELLIOTT

Located in a little-used wing of Arts and Sciences Hall, the Center for Improvement of Instruction continues its quest for quality education.

Marilyn Leach, the center's director since 1976, said she wishes someone would rename her office "Faculty Development Center" because its current name implies there already is a problem with the quality of teaching at UNO.

Leach said problems do exist, but a new program called Teaching Analysis by Students (TABS) might help eliminate teaching problems that arise.

TABS is a teacher evaluation system. Leach said there are three primary reasons for teacher evaluations: personnel decisions (performance evaluations); benefit of students; and faculty development.

TABS was designed to help faculty members become better teachers, Leach said. Just because a professor has a Ph.D. does not necessarily mean the professor can teach, she said.

According to Leach, TABS is designed to help instructors identify and better use their teaching strengths while isolating specific teaching problems.

Faculty members have only to request the service in order

to use it, Leach said. The TABS evaluation is administered by the professor in much the same manner as end-of-the-semester class evaluations. The evaluation takes 15 minutes, and should be administered between the fourth and sixth week of the semester.

The reason the test should be administered in the middle of

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—Marilyn Leach



a semester, Leach said, is to give the instructor time to alter his teaching methods before the end of the semester.

After students complete the analysis the professor must rate himself, Leach said. The results of the two sets of evaluations then are compared, and the professor consults with Leach about his strengths and weaknesses.

"We have to look at the big picture," Leach said. "We look at how good a predictor the professor is and how his predictions relate to what the students said were his strengths and weaknesses."

"Sometimes," she said, "students rate a professor better than the faculty member rates himself."

Leach said about 100 classes have participated in the evaluation each year since 1977.

"A few faculty use it frequently," she said, and a considerable number of untenured faculty members take the evaluation because they are interested in doing a good job, she added.

"We're here to help people become better teachers," she said.

Eighty-two percent of faculty members who administered TABS last year responded to a recent survey, and every one thought TABS was helpful; 89 percent of the respondents also said they would make changes in the way they taught. All the faculty members who responded said they would recommend TABS to a fellow faculty member.

The TABS service is rated highly because it can help a faculty member improve his teaching method, Leach said. "I feel that you can get important information from evaluation techniques," she said.

Financial sacrifices help motivate foreign students

By CHERY LORRAINE

Foreign students at UNO face many hurdles beyond the Test of English as a Foreign Language, which is required for admission, said Merry Ellen Turner, assistant director of the Intensive Language Program.

"They have to learn to deal with so many things that we take for granted, like opening a bank account, using city buses, learning a new alphabet, or even snow," Turner said.

Of the 300 international students attending UNO this fall, about 30 are here for the first time, said Sharon Emery, international student advisor.

"Most experience an intense fascination with American culture during their first few months here," Emery said. "Then they tend to start feeling isolated because they're experiencing a separation from family ties, often for the first time. I have to remind a lot of the students I see to pursue social activities for fun and relaxation."

Foreign students tend to bury themselves in their studies because of the financial sacrifice they make to go to school in the United States, she said.

Financial sacrifice motivates

"First, they have to pay non-resident tuition, which is especially expensive because most of them are allowed to work only a maximum of 20 hours per week," she said. "The majority of foreign students have F-1 visas, which means they aren't sponsored by their home governments. They support themselves with their own money, or they receive help from their families overseas."

This financial situation definitely has a motivating effect, said Soon-Meng Wong, director of International Student Services and a student from Singapore.

"The primary purpose is to study, so it's not surprising to find a high number of international students doing very well," Wong said.

"We also tend to look at some things a little differently. For example, I get upset if a professor cancels class or lets us out 10 minutes early. If he's going to do that, I want some of my money back!" he said.

The largest portion of the international student population comes from Malaysia, because that country sponsors many of its citizens who want to study in the United States and then return home, Emery said. Others are sponsored through exchange programs, like that between UNO and Shizuoka University in Omaha's Japanese sister city.

"Those who come here strictly on their own power say they've had a friend or family member who went to UNO or lived in Omaha," she said. Lilian Lucero, a senior majoring in finance, was one student who moved from the Philippines to Omaha at the invitation of relatives.

U.S. students' candor shocking

"My aunt, who lives in Omaha, told my mother it would be a good idea for me to come here, but it was still my decision," Lucero said. She came to the United States five years ago and attended Marian High School in Omaha, where she found students' behavior very different from what she had known.

"American students say what they feel, and they're so straightforward," Lucero said. "I remember the first time in high school when I heard someone disagree with a teacher in class."

"I was shocked! In the Philippines, you really can't approach your teachers like that."

"It's different at UNO, too. If you have a problem with class and need to talk to a teacher, you can ask him questions outside of class — almost like he's your friend," Lucero said.

Lucero plans to graduate next August and look for a job in the United States. "I know it will be difficult because good jobs are hard to find and most employers want to hire U.S. citizens," she said.

Searching for a job is an activity governed by strict laws, Emery said. Foreign students are required to carry a full course load every semester, and those who want to work off campus must prove "a dire need to do so."

In that case, or even if they just want to change majors, international students must fill out a four-page form for the U.S. Justice Department's Immigration and Naturalization Service.

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she said. The form looks very much like a tax return on the front. It must be completed according to extensive directions, written in English, which cover the back of all four sheets.

"It's all very time-consuming, and all the paper-work is handled through my office. I co-sign all the forms," Emery said.

Emery offers assistance with these problems and others through her office, which has joined International Student Services in the newly-formed International Center, Room 122 of the Milo Bail Student Center.



Campus Beautification

Photo by Scot Shugart

Workers from Shamrock Lawn & Landscape Inc., an Omaha firm, began planting the first of more than 200 trees around campus last week. The work is part of UNO's landscaping plans. More than 15 varieties of trees are to be planted.

Comment

Petition to evict Boyle echoes 'temper-tantrum politics'

Ho-kay, everyone. 'Fess up. You knew it would happen, didn't you? The moment Mayor Boyle decided he no longer required the incumbent chief of police, who committed the crime of treating Hizzoner's family as any other citizens under the law, you knew the petitions were going to hit the streets, demanding Hizzoner's eviction well before the expiration of his lease. Didn't you?

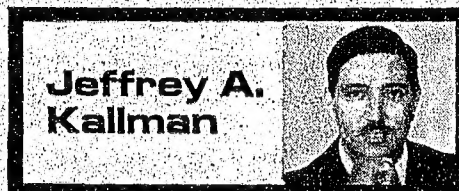
Of course you did. That is the name of the game in Nebraska. It is a dangerous game, carrying the awful likelihood that Nebraskans will, in due course, petition themselves into anarchy. But a citizenry which would probably cashier its culture if given the absolute choice between that and a certain football team is very far removed from appreciating the risk.

I am not yet blessed with the honor of fatherhood, but — as a former child — I have a minimal yet effective knowledge of childishness and the symptoms thereof. Little children are blessed with particular charms, but they are not conferred political rights. The drive to evict Mayor Boyle bears neither honor nor charm. It does nothing more than convince some of us (we dare call ourselves real conservatives) that the genius behind Nebraskan plebiscitarianism

went a tad too far, with his sleeping mask still on, conferring upon presumed adults the right to behave like spoiled brats. Which, in the present context, resembles Larry Flynt accusing the producers of *The Devil in Miss Jones* of committing pornography.

Let us now give discredit where discredit is due. Suppose we grant Hizzoner has behaved like a lout. Suppose he is borne of all the refinery of a New York subway train with acid for brakes. Suppose his rhetorical gifts cause civilized individuals to reassess the oratory of Elmer Fudd. And, let us agree, expecting his family to receive immunity such as United Nations representatives' staffers are infamous for receiving is in the same league with a heavyweight champion demanding immunity from technical knockouts because he has defended his title more than twice.

But whom, may one ask, do the philistines think put Hizzoner in the throne room in the first place? And, what are the implications in the answer to that question? If Mayor Boyle is, indeed, a lout, what does that say for the folks who put him where he is and may now, many of them, be out there, pounding the pavements,



begging their fellow Omahans to help them rid their City Hall of a man who is . . . a reflection of themselves?

And, what might be said — should this exercise in temper-tantrum politics succeed — for some axioms by which we live, such as, *innocent until proven guilty*? Most of the grievances listed against Mr. Boyle involve matters of comportment, and none of them suggest he has been tried in a proper court of law and found guilty of anything related to criminal behavior. So what do we have, after all? A call on manners?

I am, I think, well on the record so far as manners are concerned. I have defended the right of ladies and gentlemen to be allowed to behave as ladies and gentlemen without ridicule, and I place the tracts of one Judith Martin

on the same level as those of Burke and Buber, so far as human wisdom in concerned. And my particular faith is that a politics which takes no account of manners, in hand with other virtues conducive to civil society, is a politics which fails its constituents.

But we have yet to find a way to legislate manners without tripping over one or two other prejudices (you know, silly stuff such as free expression) which animate people as much as the opportunity to take their superiors down a peg. In fact, any suggestion toward legislating manners is dismissed, on a normal day, as somewhere between contemptuous and elitist. So, we are reduced to our own devices, good or bad. And that returns to a previous question: what does the drive to evict Mayor Boyle, if it is based for the most part upon ill manners, say for the folks who elected him in the first place?

But suppose Mayor Boyle is evicted, then tried and found not guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, on any type criminal charge. What does that say? That one is easy: it says Nebraska will have taken a step toward one of the most odious forms of rule the mind can imagine — government for the moment. Which is, in the end, no government at all.

Senioritis cure may cause craving for big suits

Observed from a cursory examination:

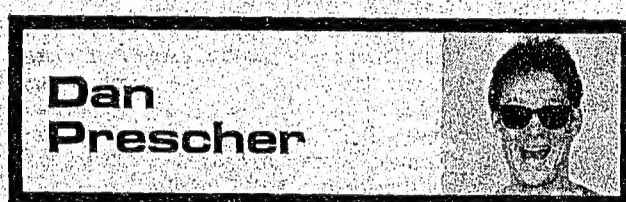
A complete lack of voluntary movement. Eyes fixed on the most neutral-colored object in the field of vision, hands dangling at the wrists, jaw slack. Back straight and shoulders swaying with a barely perceptible back-and-forth motion in time with a heart beat of around 60 per. Pupils equal and responsive, breathing slow and shallow. No apparent response to sound or motion. Etiology?

The condition resembles descriptions of trance states induced by certain meditative techniques. It also approximates the effect of several classes of drugs used in treating depression or hypertension. Shock from severe mental trauma may cause withdrawal reactions that appear similar.

All accurate guesses given the limited information. But add just a few more vital pieces to the puzzle and it falls into place.

1. The subject is a senior.
2. The fall semester at UNO is nearing the half-way point.
3. There is a better-than-even chance the subject will graduate.
4. There is a full moon.

There can be but one diagnosis now: Full-Moon Senioritis, or more properly, Acute Debilitating Pre-Graduation Syndrome complicated by capricious confluence with Chronic Lunar Dys-



phoria.

So. Now that there is an accurate diagnosis, the serious nature of the affliction becomes evident. Without immediate corrective intervention in the course of the disease, healthy graduation will at best be more difficult to attain, and at worst will be delayed until the ailment runs its natural course, which can take anywhere from one semester to several years. Of course, the aggravating lunar component will naturally subside, but until the basic dysfunction is corrected it can be expected to recur periodically, making successful treatment more difficult.

Considering the severity of the side effects and associated syndromes (Arrested Income Complex, permanent scarring of the GPA, etc.) an effective and immediate treatment is essential.

Throughout the history of institutionalized higher education, many remedies have been recommended; some more effective

than others. During the Middle Ages, buggery, the Inquisition and the sacking of monasteries by barbarian hordes controlled Senioritis effectively, if sporadically. Later, drinking and gambling were discovered to ease many of the most severe symptoms, and these remedies are still the treatment of choice in most American universities. During a brief period in the 1960s, political activism and sexual promiscuity were extensively prescribed, but later fell out of favor due to some long-lasting side effects, such as expulsion, arrest, unwanted pregnancy and severe itching.

Fortunately, in these enlightened times, modern science has developed treatments that rival the traditional heavy drinking and gambling in effectiveness, yet limit the undesirable side effects of alcoholism and Bet-Collector's Knee. One of the most effective is the Byrne treatment, described below.

The crucial problem in Senioritis is to restore a sense of perspective. When a senior senses that "real life" is just a few months away and it's going to be close-your-eyes-and-kiss-it time for the rest of his or her life, the shock creates a rift in perception. School is seen as an extended and idyllic womb, and graduation a breach delivery into a frightening world of silly suits, overweight mates and interminable drives to Colorado Springs in the Travel-All with three screaming kids to visit in-laws who play Yahtzee.

It is important to heal this rift in perception by immediately demonstrating that "real life" and the seemingly protected existence behind ivy-covered walls are equally goofy. By far the best way of doing this is by getting the patient to a showing of David Byrne's *Stop Making Sense* as soon as possible. In extreme cases several viewings may be necessary, but effects should be immediate and dramatic. The slack jaw will soon display a silly grin, which will alternate with looks of incredulity and uncontrollable spasms of the feet and hands. Some head-slapping can be expected, and occasionally patients have exhibited a feigned lack of balance that often produces uncontrollable laughter. Sooner or later, perspective is restored and normal function returns.

Alternate treatments have been used successfully if a local showing of the film itself is not available. Three or four hours of Talking Heads recordings have been used with good results, and one documented case demonstrated recovery simply from reading the book about the production of Byrne's newest film *True Stories*. In all cases the symptomatic dread of graduation was reduced or eliminated with a corresponding increase in sense of humor, confidence and will to action.

The only observed side-effects are a vague suspicion of contemporary American values and a craving for big suits, but it is unclear whether these are undesirable effects of the treatment or healthy expressions of formerly suppressed psycho-physical functions that have been freed up in the course of recovery.

Unfortunately, there is no known treatment for Chronic Lunar Dysphoria. Two Advils and half a bottle of Glenfiddich will relieve the symptoms, however.



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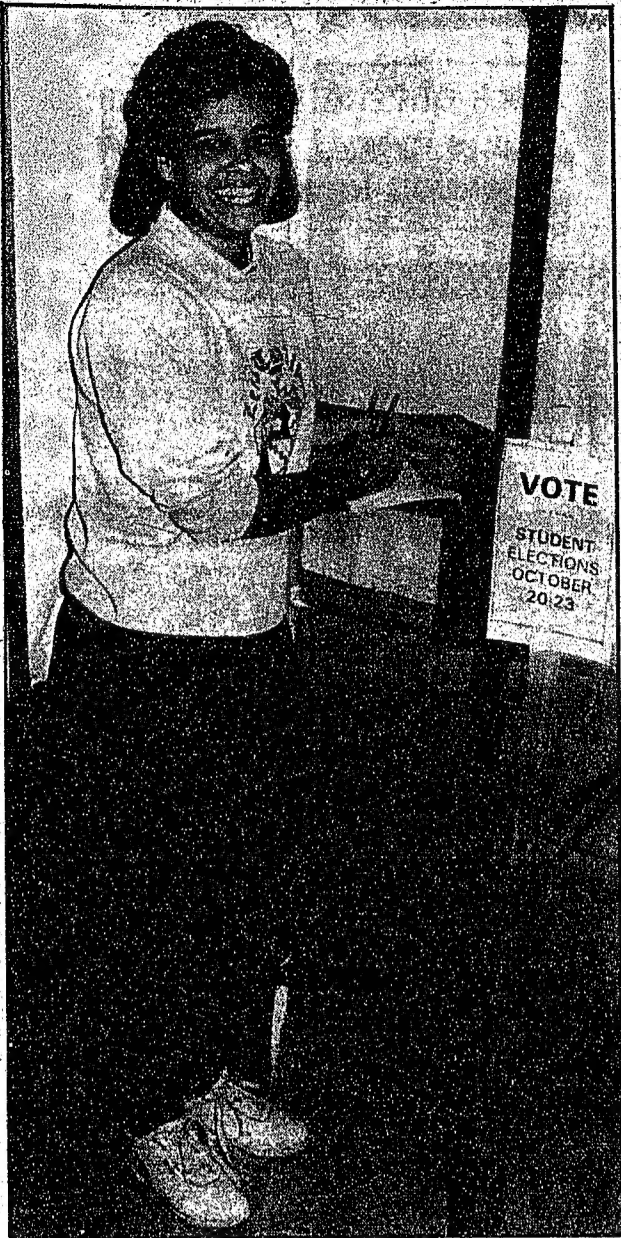


Photo by Scot Shugart
Sophomore Carrie Haney casts her ballots at the polling place in the HPER Building.

The number of students voting in this month's UNO Student Government elections will be about the same as in the past several years, Jerald Hohndorf, UNO's student-election commissioner, indicated Tuesday.

Judging by voter turnout early this week, Hohndorf predicted 7 percent of UNO's approximately 15,000 students will have voted. About 6 percent of the students voted last fall.

"I'm disappointed that the students would place the homecoming elections before the Student Government elections," Hohndorf said.

More students voted in the recent homecoming elections than in last year's Student Government elections.

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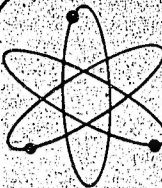
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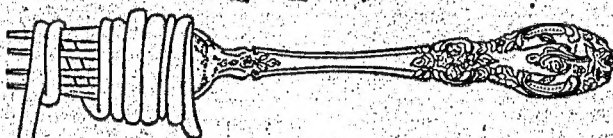
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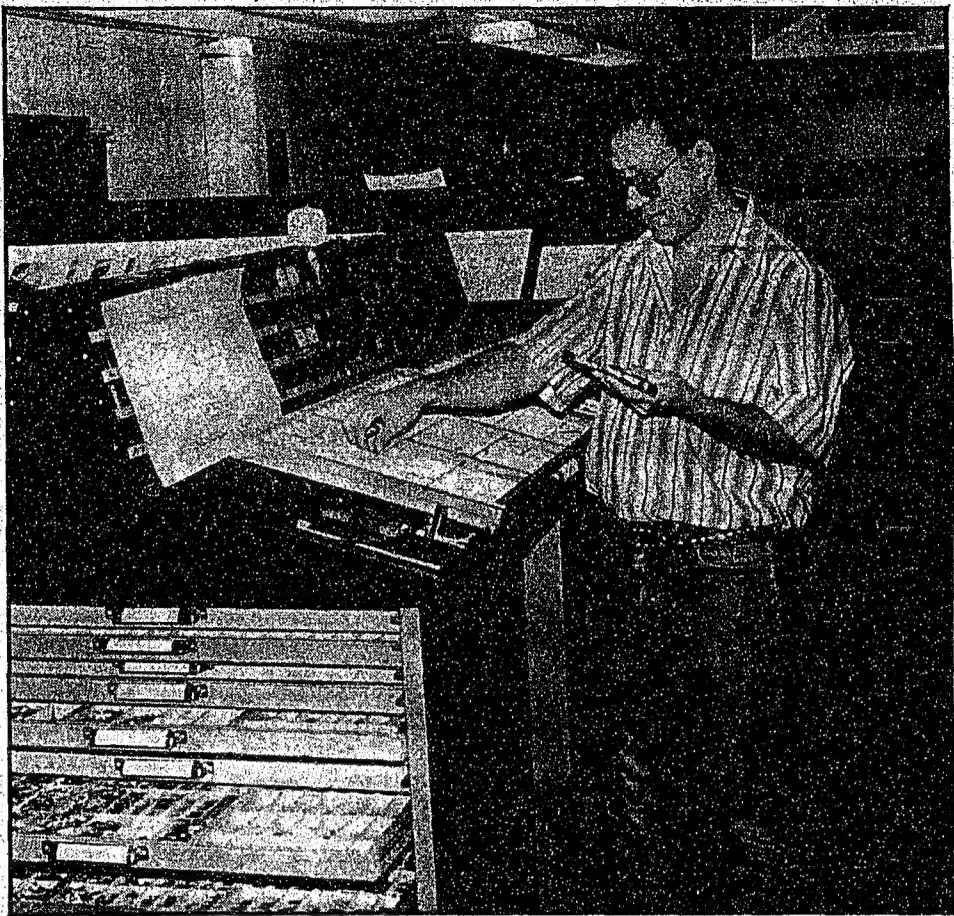
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Jana Gibbs, left, loads paper on a self-inking, hand-operated press, as Chuck Smith looks on.



Arlen Lazaroff, a freshman, sets type by hand on a composing stick.

Students design, create own books on hand-operated printing presses

Books made by UNO students using a 400-year-old process will be on display in the University Library Nov. 1 through mid-January.

The approximately 30 books in the exhibit were made over the past eight years by students in UNO's Hand Produced Book class.

Bonnie O'Connell, an assistant professor of fine arts, has taught a course called The Hand Produced Book since her arrival at UNO in 1985. The course was originated by Harry Duncan, who established the UNO Fine Arts Press in 1972. Although Duncan has retired from teaching, he continues to print books by hand.

The Hand Produced Book is "essentially a studio course," O'Connell said. Students learn how to set type and work the hand presses, then design and publish their own small books.

Students have chosen to publish essays, children's books, cookbooks and historical sketches or studies, O'Connell said, but "the majority of students tend to choose poetry or verse" for their books. Poetry lends itself to a small-book format, she said, and lines do not have to be justified (made even on both sides of a margin). "Justifying is a time-consuming and exacting process," she said; while students learn how to justify lines, even students who publish prose do not always choose to do so.

"At least half the students illustrate their books with woodcuts," O'Connell said. Some students who have access to Art Department facilities illustrate their books with linoleum cuts or intaglio prints, she said, while others have illustrated their books with stencils or silkscreens done in their studios at home.

There is no prerequisite for the three-credit-hour class, and a student may repeat the class once, for a total of six hours. "There's quite a mix of students," O'Connell said. Most of the students are art majors, but students have come from other colleges.

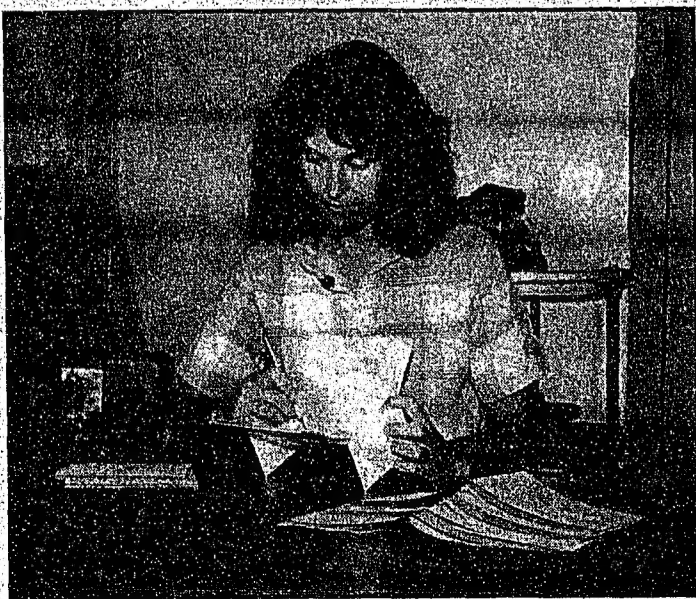
"We have had students from the business college. Occasionally we get a few musicians, as well as students from the other liberal arts," O'Connell said. Faculty members and librarians also have taken the course, she said.

Class size is limited to eight students. Eight students are taking a morning section of the class, and six students are in the Tuesday evening section.

O'Connell has her own private press, but teaching and the responsibility of running Abattoir Editions, UNO's literary fine-arts press, has curtailed her own activities. O'Connell is in the process of completing two Abattoir Edition books: *Brittle Water*, a collection of poems by Sam Periera; and *Three Winter Poems*, a collection by three poets. Over the next 18 months, O'Connell hopes to put out three more books.



Gibbs pulls the finished proof from the press.



Donna Clifton punches holes in the pages so a book can be sewn together.



Mary Rowe cuts illustrations into linoleum blocks.

This Week

FRIDAY 24th

- Student Programming Organization (SPO) Fall Film Festival, "Brazil," 7 and 9:30 p.m. Eppley Auditorium.
- Dance concert, "Out of the Shadow, Into the Light," UNO Art Gallery, 11 a.m., noon and 8 p.m.

SATURDAY 25th

- Dance concert, Art Gallery, 7 and 8:30 p.m.

SUNDAY 26th

- SPO Fall Film Festival, "Brazil," 4 and 7 p.m., Eppley Auditorium.
- Dance concert, "Out of the Shadow, Into the Light," UNO Art Gallery, 2 and 3:30 p.m.
- OCTUBAFEST, Strauss Performing Arts Center, 3 p.m., free.
- Marsha Johnson piano recital, Strauss Performing Arts Center, 8 p.m., free.

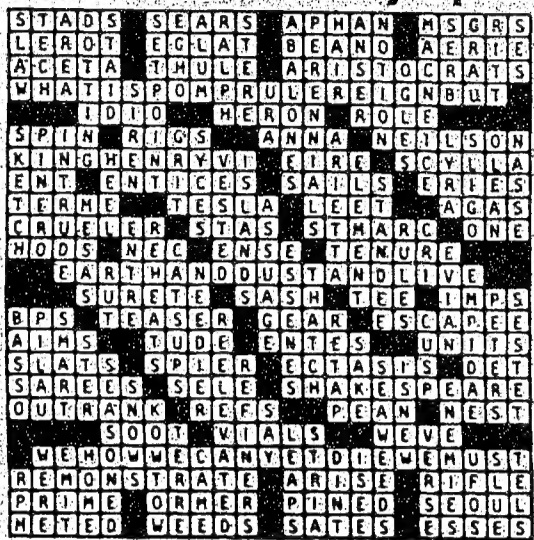
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- Adult Children of Alcoholics meeting, Omaha Room, third floor Student Center, 11:30 a.m.
- Catholic Campus Ministry Bible Study, Crimson Room, third floor Student Center, noon.

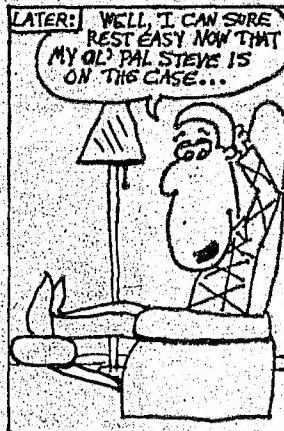
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Sports

Snyder has 14 touchdown passes

'Air-Bears' to test Mavs' injury-wracked defense

By TERRY O'CONNOR

The UNO Maverick football team will fly to Greeley, Colo., Saturday hoping to ground Northern Colorado's record-setting passer Loren Snyder.

Snyder holds 11 passing and total offense records for the Bears and has thrown 40 touchdown passes in his college career. He threw for 2,384 yards last year.

The Mavericks under Coach Sandy Buda have been successful at the Bears' Jackson Field, having won three of four games, the single loss coming in 1980. (That 13-7 defeat cost UNO a North Central Conference title share.)

Northern Colorado is coming off a 22-13 defeat at the hands of Mankato State. The loss dropped the Bears to 1-4 in the NCC and 1-6 overall. UNO is 3-2 in the conference, 4-3 overall.

"We're Northern Colorado's designated rival," Buda said. "My first year in the league, Northern Colorado picked us because we were the team closest to them in the conference."

UNO will try to post its first road win of the season after three losses. The Mavs lead the series between the two teams 11-7, having won the last five. Last year UNO scored its highest point total of the year in posting a 38-14 rout.

Northern Colorado centers its offense around Snyder's passing. The Air-Bears, as they are known in Colorado, are averaging a paltry 10 yards a game on the ground. They have been held to negative net-rushing totals twice this year and ended up with zero yards rushing in one other game.

Snyder already has topped the 2,000-yard mark in passing yardage. He threw for 17 touchdowns and 17 interceptions a year ago, and has 14 touchdowns so far this year. Snyder can throw to three receivers who rank in the top 10 in NCC pass receptions. Bears' wide receiver Mike Weaver leads the NCC in catches.

The Bears' defense has improved from a year

ago, when they finished last in the NCC rankings. The Bears gave up 33 points-per-game on the way to a 3-8 record; 3-6 in the NCC.

"You have to concede the fact that Snyder is going to complete some passes and get some yards against you," Buda said. "But you have to stop him short of the end zone."

Last year UNO frustrated Snyder with a big pass rush and held him without a scoring pass until the score reached 38-6.

"They've got strengths on both sides of the ball," Buda said. "They beat Morningside 27-7, a team that beat us 10-9. They've lost three games by one touchdown, and they played Mankato State a lot closer than we did."

Against Augustana, UNO flashed its best passing attack of the season under sophomore quarterback Todd Sadler. Sadler's favorite target was UNO offensive player of the week Bob Gordon. Gordon a freshman from Papillion High School, caught four passes for 84 yards.

Gordon leads UNO in yards per reception at 22.9. His four catches against Augustana enable him to tie Steve Macatis for the team lead with 10 receptions.

Both Gordon and Sadler gave UNO fans a glimpse of the offense of the future in the third period last week. Facing a third-and-10 at the UNO 31, Sadler faded back to throw. He was flushed out of the pocket under a heavy rush but spotted Gordon down the left sideline. Gordon gathered in the throw while managing to keep his toes in bounds. The play covered 26 yards, and UNO went on to a Greg Morris field goal attempt.

Injuries hurt depth

UNO, which has lost 11 starting players to injury this season, will have sophomore defensive back Eric Robinson back this week. Robinson suffered a shoulder separation against Mankato State.

The injuries have created a critical depth problem for UNO. "We're down to two offensive tackles and two linebackers," Buda said.

"We said at the start of the season that injuries would kill us, and they have."

The lack of depth becomes apparent after a glance at UNO's second-half scoring statistics. The Mavs have been unable to cross the goal line after halftime and have only two Greg Morris field goals to show for their second-half efforts. The Mavs haven't scored a point all year in the third quarter and have been outscored 34-6 in the second half.

"In the past, we've played a lot of people,"

Buda said. "We like to go two-deep if we've got the bodies. The injuries have forced us to play our first-string people a lot more, and the fact they're out there longer has contributed to the amount of injuries we've had."

Injuries also have affected UNO's practices. Kicker Greg Morris recently was recruited to fill in at defensive back. But the 5-foot-7, 155 pounder had words of comfort for worried UNO fans: "Coach Buda said it'll never get so bad that I have to play in a game" as a safety.

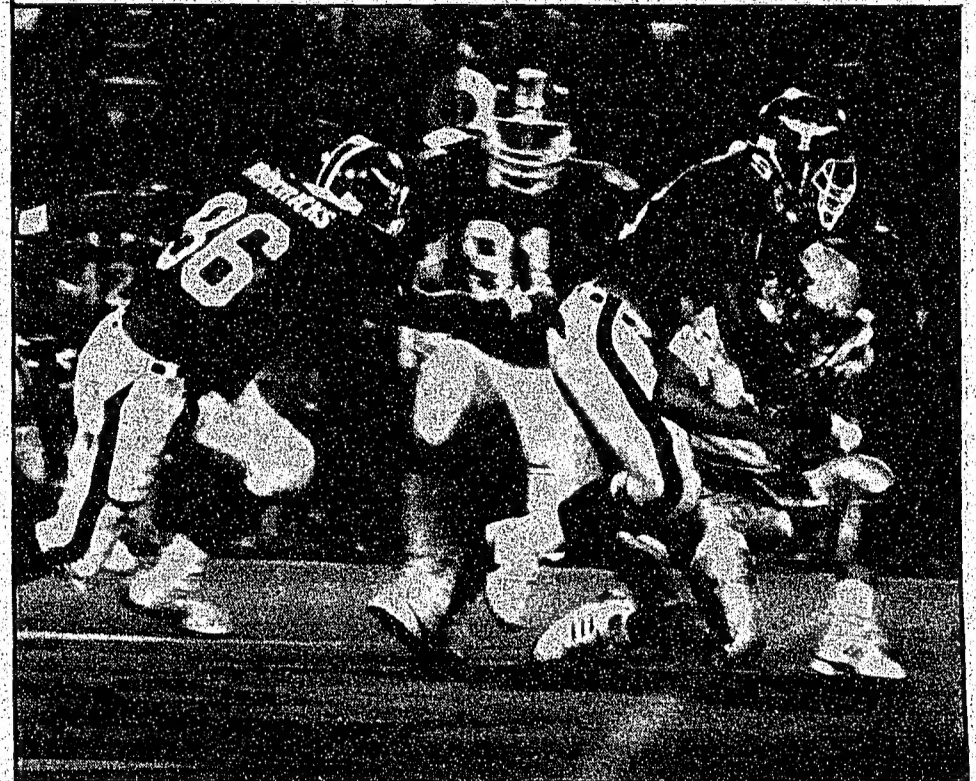


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Frank Wheeler, second from right, wraps up Augustana quarterback Joel Nelson during UNO's second shutout of the year.

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Lady Mavs eye Sacramento State in Army meet

The UNO Lady Mavericks invade West Point, N.Y., this weekend for the Army Invitational.

The Lady Mavs, brandishing a 25-2 season record, will be one of the favorites in the eight-team pool-play tournament. The field includes No. 3 rated Sacramento State in the opposite bracket. The two teams could meet only in the championship game.

UNO Coach Janice Kruger thinks the loss in last week's Central Missouri State Invitational to the host school should help UNO prepare

for this week.

"It should help us get going," Kruger said. "We played pretty well in the Central Missouri tourney, all things considered."

The tight-knit Lady Mavs had learned earlier in the week that Ruth Evans' father had suffered a stroke. Joseph Evans is convalescing comfortably now, but the news had an unsettling affect on the team.

"We're not going to use that as an excuse," Kruger said. "Central Missouri played well enough to beat us that game. They are a good

team, but they're not the best team we've played this year."

The Lady Mavs will be hobbled by Evans' shin problems, which limited her practice time this week. Freshman outside hitter Nancy Liebenritt will move into Evans' middle-blocker post if Evans is unable to play.

"It will definitely make a difference to us if Ruth is unable to play," Kruger said. "Ruth has more experience and is so aggressive and quick. Nancy is about the same size, but there's a big difference between playing in high school and a major college tournament."

The Army Invitational is made up of 10

teams divided into two separate pools. UNO is aligned with Central Connecticut, East Texas State, Army and C.W. Post.

Ernie May, UNO assistant sports information director, said the tourney will be a big help to the Lady Mavs. "It gives us a chance to see teams from the East," May said. "That always helps."

UNO's main goal will be to reach the championship game, hoping to meet Sacramento State there. "We'd like to play Sacramento," May said. "We've played too many matches that were easy. They would play us tough, and at the end of the year, that's what you need."

Tide to roll in battle of unbeatens

Editor's note: Last week Eric hit on 76 percent of his predictions. His World Series prediction of two weeks ago was also vindicated this past week when Boston and New York squared off in the Series. For the season his average stands at 72 percent.

This week's college football schedule offers some interesting matchups that could have a direct bearing on bowl-game matchups. Although the first bowl game is more than six weeks away, many teams such as Miami and Alabama seem to have their fortunes in their own hands.

Following is a look at some of tomorrow's games:

Penn State at Alabama — Joe Paterno's Nittany Lions roll into Saturday's showdown with an undefeated record and a superior attitude. The Crimson Tide, how-

Football Picks

Predictions and Comments

By Eric Lindwall

ever, also is undefeated, and, put simply, is the better team. Watch for the passing of All-American quarterback Mike Shula to spell the difference. Alabama, 30-21.

Syracuse at Temple — The Owls have

been impressive this year and are 9-point favorites tomorrow. Astute observers of the game know that in 18 of the last 20 years Syracuse covered the spread the week after facing Penn State. Look for the Orangemen to surprise Temple tomorrow. Syracuse, 23-21.

UNO at Northern Colorado — The Mavericks showed their mettle in last week's 10-0 shutout of Augustana. UNO faces another road trip this week, however, and this has proven difficult for the team all year long.

If UNO can play with the intensity it showed against Augustana, there is no reason to believe the Mavericks can't come away with a road win. UNO, 21-17.

Other games this week include: Ohio State 31, Minnesota 14; Illinois 27, Wisconsin 24; Stanford 31, USC 24; Texas A&M 38, Rice 6; Arkansas 31, Houston 21; LSU 24, North Carolina 20; Georgia 28, Kentucky 21; Maryland 27, Duke 26; Oklahoma 45, Iowa State 10; Michigan 30, Indiana 7; SMU 28, Texas 27; Arizona State 35, Utah 10; Oklahoma State 27, Kansas 6; Auburn 34, Mississippi State 13; Michigan State 31, Purdue 17; Rutgers 28, Army 10; and Nebraska 56, Colorado 10.

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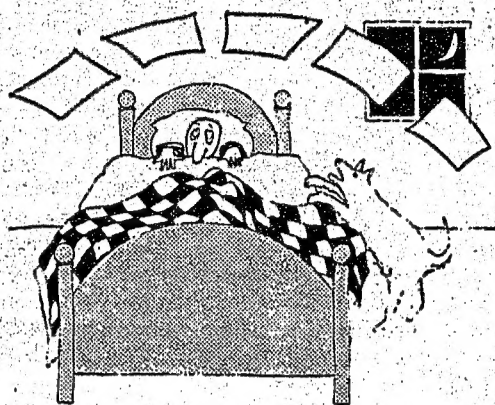
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